

October 15, 2017

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We are a Welcoming Community of Believers, Hoppers and Lovers. We are One Family in Baptism and the Holy Spirit, nourished with the Word of God and the Body and Blood of Christ. All are Welcome in this place.

Cycles of Faith—28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come." Why? What made the king's invitation so distasteful to these guests? According to the parable, either the guests were too busy with their farms and their businesses, or else they were downright hostile to the entire idea: they "laid hold of his servants, mistreated them, and killed them." What could possibly explain this resistance?

Perhaps we have a clue in the puzzling conclusion of today's Gospel. One of the second-string guests pulled in from the streets came to the feast "not dressed in a wedding garment." The man knew he was guilty, hence his silence. And the king's punishment suggests that the fellow ought to have known better. This "wedding garment" calls to mind the preparation of our souls necessary to join in the great "wedding feast of the Lamb" (Rv 19:9), that is, heaven. This man was apparently just too lazy to get ready. He presumed that having received an invitation to the banquet was enough, that nothing was required of him. Not so. He should have demonstrated his gratitude by dressing appropriately. And what of the first-string guests? Some were too busy to bother coming; others were furious that they had been invited at all. Now, where do we fit in? Are we more concerned with worldly work than with spiritual growth? Are we offended by the very suggestion that we might need to "dress up" our souls? Or are we the disinterested Christian, willing to feast but too lazy to foster his faith? Jesus gave his life to open the gates of heaven for us. Let's show our gratitude by preparing radiant, beautiful souls worthy of the heavenly wedding feast.

Liturgical Publications

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sun. Oct. 15 8:00 a.m. (No Intention)
Sun. Oct. 15 11:00 a.m. For Cheryl DeVolder Collins requested by the Marshall Family.
Sun. Oct. 22 8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.
Sun. Oct. 22 11:00 a.m. (No Intention)

Offertory Last Week: \$1,278.00 Maintenance: \$60.00
Fuel: \$635.50 Hurricane Irma Relief: \$25.00
World Mission Sunday: \$25.00 Priest Benefit: \$15.00
Electronic Giving: \$650.00

Second Collection Next Week for World Mission Sunday

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, October 16, 2017

Janet Landrigan
Margaret Titus
Marie Cookson

Schedule of Ministries: October 22, 2017

8:00 a.m. Altar Server: Hadley Stockwell
Lector: David Duffy
Extraordinary Min.: Wanda Bean
David McNally

11:00 a.m. Greeters: Rosemarie Cartularo
Altar Server:
Lector: Colleen Armstrong
Extraordinary Min.: Eileen Curtis
Ray Curtis

Calendar of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Events

-10/15 2nd Year Confirmation Class at St. Jude's at 10:30 a.m.
-10/19 Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
-10/26 Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Question of the Week What specific threads of "charity in action" are woven together to fashion the "wedding garment" needed for my presence at Jesus' feast? Is it time I got back to work at the proverbial loom?

Meet and Greet: There will be a Meet and Greet today, **Sunday, October 15**, following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. We invite everyone to come over to the parish hall and enjoy a cup of coffee or juice and some treats. Come and meet some of our 1st and 7th graders. Food is provided by families of the 1st and 7th graders.

The Catholic Church And The Development of Science and Western Civilization: Is the Catholic Church against science? The historical reality is much different than the modern perception. The Catholic Church not only has always supported science but was instrumental in the development of western science as well as art, architecture, music, economics, law, etc. Come learn about the historical basis for western culture on **Wednesday, October 18 at 6:30 p.m.** at St. Jude's. This is open to **ALL** 8th graders, high school students and adults. Presented by Bill Gavin of the Youth Ministry Office at the Diocese.

Faith In Action Prayer Chain: OLMC Faith In Action Committee has a prayer list used by members to pray for those who request prayers to be said for them. Please contact Eileen Curtis at 425-4432 or Sheila Duffy at 425-7221 to add a name to the list.

Charlotte Food Shelf: The Charlotte Food Shelf is in constant need of healthy snacks for the children the Food Shelf serves. Items such as pudding snack packs, granola bars, microwave popcorn, peanut butter or cheese crackers, pretzels and fruit or applesauce cups are all samples of healthy, easy after school snack foods. Donations may be left in the OLMC vestibule or can be dropped off at the Food Shelf at the Congregational Church on Wednesday evenings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. or Thursday mornings 7:30 to 9:00 a.m.

Rosary: The Rosary is being said each Saturday at St. Jude's before the 4:30 p.m. Mass beginning at 4:10 p.m.

Yarn Donations: The Helping Hands Sewing Ministry at St. Jude's is looking for yarn. If you have any leftover yarn that you are looking to part with, please leave in the box in the vestibule of the church. Thank you.

Looking for Knitters and Those Who Crochet: For the past 11 years, St. Jude Parish has provided the meal at the Salvation Army on the eve of Thanksgiving. In past years we have also provided hats, mittens, and socks for the clients who came in that evening. We will be doing this again this year. We are looking for parishioners and others who would be willing to knit and/or crochet adult size hats and mittens and anyone who would be willing to donate thick, new adult size socks. There will be a box in the vestibule where you can drop off any of these items. If you have any questions, please contact Marie at 425-2637 or email at marietcookson@aol.com. Thank you.

Looking for Crafters: St. Jude's will be having a Craft Fair on Saturday, December 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We are looking for crafters. If you are a crafter and are interested in purchasing a space at this Craft Fair, please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com and an application form will be sent to you. 75% of items sold **must** be handmade.

Counters Needed: We are in need of more counters as many of our regulars will be heading south in the next month or two. Counting is done on Monday morning at 8:30 a.m. in the St. Jude Rectory. Folks work in teams of three. Counting is usually finished by 9:30 a.m. (usually earlier). It is a great way to meet some of your fellow parishioners and get to know those from St. Jude's also. If you are interested or would like more info, please contact Marie at 425-2637 or email at marietcookson@aol.com.

World Mission Sunday: Next week, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Each year, the entire Church is invited to support the young mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the poorest of the poor. This year, we are invited to "**Chat With The Pope**" to learn more about his missions. To learn more about this go to ChatWithThePope.org.

Vocation Ministry Workshop: There will be a Vocation Ministry Workshop at St. Anthony Parish Hall in White River Jct. on **Saturday, November 4** from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Rhonda Gruenewald, a vocation Promoter and author of "Hundredfold: A Guide to Parish Vocation Ministry" will present the day-long workshop open to all who want to share in the mission of promoting vocations in their parishes. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Mallorie Gerwitz at mgerwitz@vermontcatholic.org or call 658-6110 ext. 1334.



“The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son... ‘Tell those invited: ‘Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast.’” — Mt 22:2, 4 b c

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Family Mass and Pasta Dinner: There will be a Family Mass at St. Jude's on Saturday, October 28 at 4:30 p.m. This is also the feast day of St. Jude. The Mass will be followed with a Pasta Dinner. There is **NO CHARGE** for the dinner but a free will offering basket will be available. All are welcome.

Senior Meals: St. Jude Parish offers lunches to area seniors on the 2nd and 4th **Tuesday** of each month. The next senior meals are scheduled for **October 24 and November 14 and 28 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.** Serving begins at 12:00 noon.

Parish Happenings at St. Jude's: St. Jude in Hinesburg is offering activities that are open to everyone. Below are some of the upcoming events:

--**Tae Kwon Do:** Wednesday afternoons: 3:15 - 4:15 p.m. and 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. Two sessions—Open to 3 year olds to adults. For more info and to set up a free class (1st Class), please call 802-377-0476 or email tkdkicks101@yahoo.com.

--**Line Dancing:** Line Dancing will be offered twice a month on Thursday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. (Weeks will vary from month to month). \$5/class. Dates for October are **October 12 and 26.** All are welcome.

--**Red Cross Adult First Aid/CPR/AED Training:** We will be holding a Red Cross Training on **Saturday, October 21** from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$90. You will be certified for two years. If you are interested in registering, please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com or 482-2290.

--**Family Contra Dance:** There will be a Contra Dance on **Friday, October 27** from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Donations at the door for the event. All are welcome.

--**Tai Chi:** Tai Chi will be offered on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. beginning on **October 16 through December 6.** More info in the coming weeks.

Funeral Planning Workshop: Please join Ready's Funeral Home as they provide this workshop to help assist individuals with knowing the facts and the importance of having your final wishes documented. The Ready Funeral home will also welcome any questions you may have about this process. This workshop is free and is designed to give you peace of mind and have an open and honest discussion and answer questions about your final wishes. A free lunch will be provided for you as well. The workshop will be on **Sunday, November 5** at 12:30 p.m. at St. John Vianney Parish Hall, Hinesburg Road, South Burlington. All are welcome.